

SUMMARY: Jehovah/Jesus/Holy Spirit is the only one of the pretenders which demonstrate reasonable characteristics to be "God". He does so by miracles, explanation of the creation of the Universe, scientific proofs, lack of scientific errors, fulfilled prophecies and lack of false prophecies. Nothing else comes close.

This lesson on the "Array of Gods?" assumes that the reader has reviewed the prior section (IF GOD?) and has concluded that there must have been a supernatural force (a God) for the universe to exist. A "God" meaning some intelligent being that is not constrained to work within the laws of physics.

Given therefore that there is a "God", and there are numerous "gods" advocated in the world today, the object of this section will be to attempt to determine which "god" is the true "God".

The general approach will be to try to determine objective criteria for determining if "gods" are true (i.e. testing the spirits) and then applying those criteria to the contemporary "gods".

It is important to recognize that God is apparently not going to come up to us and identify Himself, meaning at that time we would not have faith but rather we would have knowledge. This means we will conclude something and we will have "faith" in God. This means that we will not positively prove who is a "God". We can potentially substantially confirm the belief in God, and in some cases might positively disprove a "god".

DEFINITIONS ACCORDING TO WEBSTER:

Religion: (1)(a) the service and worship of God or the supernatural (b) commitment or devotion to religious faith or observance (2) a personal set or institutionalized system of religious attitudes, beliefs and practices (3) scrupulous conformity (4) a cause, principle, or system of beliefs held to with ardor and faith.

Religious: (1) relating to or manifesting faithful devotion to an acknowledged ultimate reality or deity (2) of, relating to, or devoted to religious beliefs or observances (3) scrupulously and conscientiously faithful.

Note: By these definitions macro-evolution and atheism are religions to every extent that Hinduism is.



The conclusion of this section is that only Jehovah/Jesus/Holy Spirit demonstrate reasonable characteristics to be recognized as "the" God. See Gal. 3:24-25 for why we are no longer under God's old law or Judaism.